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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare:

my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **DEVICE FOR STORING DISC-SHAPED DATA CARRIERS**,

the specification of which		
[] is attached hereto.		
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and was amended on	(if applicable).	
[X] was described and claimed in PCT Internation	onal Application No. PCT	/EP99/08715
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent & Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

PRIORITY CLAIM UNDER 35 USC § 119(a)-(d)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign applications(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT International Applications designating at least one country other than the U.S. listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT International Applications designating at least one country other than the U.S. having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

[] no such applications have been filed

[X] application(s) listed below:

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